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In re the application of:

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Dear Sir:

If the Examiner deems the accompanying Amendment under 37 CFR §1.116 does not

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A Petition to extend time to respond is enclosed. An Amendment under 35 CFR §1.116 is enclosed.

If deemed necessary, please charge the filing fee of \$160 for this Appeal to Townsend

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